



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
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**NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND AVAILABILITY
OF DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
FOR
PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL
PARK MASTER PLAN PROJECT
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER 2015121051**

The Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation, acting in the capacity of "Lead Agency" under the County Environmental Guidelines, Chapter III, Section 304, has filed a "Notice of Completion and Availability" of a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (Draft PEIR) for the Project. This document has been prepared in accordance with, and pursuant to, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended; Public Resources Code, Section 21000 *et seq.*; and the "Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (State CEQA Guidelines), California Code of Regulation, Title 14, Chapter 15000 *et seq.*, (including Section 15160).

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

The formal public review period for the Draft PEIR will be from June 24, 2016 to August 8, 2016 (45 days). All comments received by the closing of the public review period will be considered in the Final PEIR.

SITE LOCATION

The Puente Hills Landfill Park Master Plan Project (Proposed Project) is located within the boundaries of the Puente Hills Landfill (landfill), which is owned and maintained by the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (Sanitation Districts). The landfill is approximately 1,365 acres in size and has been closed since 2013. The landfill is located southeast of the intersection of State Route 60 (SR-60) and Interstate 605 (I-605) in unincorporated Los Angeles County. Although the entire landfill site is not located in the City of Industry, the address of the landfill front entry is 13130 Crossroads Parkway South, City of Industry, California 91746.

PROPOSED PROJECT

The Proposed Project is a long range master plan that over time would develop a portion of what was formerly the largest landfill in the western United States into a regional park, providing recreation and open space for the greater Los Angeles area. The County of Los Angeles would create a new regional park uniquely situated at the western end of the Puente Hills on a large industrial closed landfill site. Of the 600 acres of fill within the site boundaries, which includes the landfill slopes and flat landfill caps, approximately 117 acres of top deck fill area would be the focus over time for the majority of formal park development (or approximately 10 percent of the site's total acreage).

The Proposed Project would include a variety of recreational facilities that can be sustained on the site, including passive and more active facilities. Park development would be integrated with existing landfill facilities, including a shared entrance and joint use of an existing loop road system, which would be improved to accommodate public access.

The full description of the Puente Hills Landfill Park Master Plan can be found at:
<http://www.puentehillslandfillpark.org/>.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

The Draft PEIR examines potential impacts of the Proposed Project on the environment and the surrounding land uses. Issues addressed in the Draft PEIR include: Aesthetics; Air Quality; Biological Resources; Cultural, Tribal, and Paleontological Resources; Geology and Soils; Greenhouse Gas; Hazards and Hazardous Materials; Hydrology and Water Quality; Land Use and Planning; Noise; Public Services; Recreation; Transportation and Circulation; and Utilities and Service Systems. Impacts to the majority of the environmental resource areas analyzed in the Draft PEIR would be less than significant with the implementation of mitigation measures. There is one potentially significant and unavoidable impact that could not be reduced to less than significant with implementation of mitigation measures: Greenhouse Gas.

PUBLIC MEETING

A Draft PEIR Public Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the Hacienda Heights Community Center. The purpose of the Draft PEIR Public Meeting is to solicit public comments regarding environmental issues addressed in the Draft PEIR.

Date:	Wednesday, June 29, 2016
Time:	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Location:	Hacienda Heights Community Center 1234 Valencia Avenue Hacienda Heights, CA 91746

REVIEWING LOCATIONS

The Draft PEIR is available for public review starting on June 24, 2016 through August 8, 2016 at the offices of the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation, the project website:

<http://www.puentehillslandfillpark.org/library/>, and at the following locations:

Hacienda Heights Library
16010 La Monde Street
Hacienda Heights, CA 91745
(626) 968-9356

Sunkist Library
840 North Puente Avenue
La Puente, CA 91746
(626) 960-2707

Sorensen Library
6934 Broadway Avenue
Whittier, CA 90606
(562) 695-3979

A copy of the Draft PEIR will also be available for public review Monday through Thursday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the location listed below. To make an appointment, please contact Julie Yom at (213) 351-5127:

County of Los Angeles
Department of Parks and Recreation
Planning Division
510 S. Vermont Avenue, Room 201
Los Angeles, CA 90020
Attention: Julie Yom, Park Planner

An electronic version of the Draft PEIR is also available on the Department's website at <http://parks.lacounty.gov/wps/portal/dpr/Newsroom/EnvironmentalDocuments/>.

Please submit written comments on the Draft PEIR by August 8, 2016 to Julie Yom of the Department of Park and Recreation at the above address. You may also fax your written comments to (213) 639-3959, or email to jyom@parks.lacounty.gov. Should you have any questions, please call (213) 351-5127.

PROJECT VICINITY MAP

